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Tories split on Stelmach

POLITICS Alberta Premier Ed Stelmach faces a critical leadership review this weekend by his own Tory party members amid growing tension within the ranks.

Stelmach's plunging popularity in recent polls has caused two former premiers to make rare public statements both for and against his continued leadership.

Former premier Peter Lougheed says the Progressive Conservative party needs to rally behind Stelmach.

"We're in very challenging times right now in the Alberta economy and it's very important that the party be supportive of their leader," said Lougheed, who led the Tories to power in 1971.

In contrast, former premier Ralph Klein said recently that he felt Alberta's business community was ready for a change in leadership. Klein told The Canadian Press last month that Stelmach should "step down" if he doesn't get at least 70 per cent support in the leadership vote.

Klein was forced to resign as premier in 2006 after he received only 55 per cent support in a leadership review. Alberta's Tories hold the votes in the year after a general election.

Stelmach has politely rejected Klein's benchmark, but refuses to say how much support he feels he needs to continue as party leader.

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Hobbema-area man dies in crash

DEATH A car accident claimed the life of a Hobbema-area man Wednesday afternoon.

RCMP report that Shane Okeymo, 29, died of injuries sustained when a minivan lost control on the Samson First Nations Reserve. The female driver, 31, is being treated for serious injuries while the remaining three passengers were treated with non-life-threatening injuries.

The van was northbound on a gravel road five kilometres south of Hobbema when it lost control and rolled. Charges are pending as the RCMP continue to investigate the accident.

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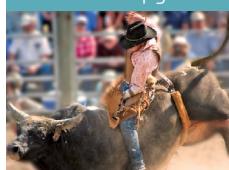
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Shawn Corey Carter, known by his stage name Jay-Z, right, and Irish singer Bono perform Thursday with U2 at the Brandenburg Gate in Berlin. The concert was in conjunction with the 2009 European MTV Awards. The show marked the 20th anniversary of the collapse of the Berlin Wall. Story, page 26.

Flu claims 4 more

Vaccination clinics re-open to children, moms-to-be

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The same day vaccination clinics re-opened across the province, officials announced four more Albertans infected with the H1N1 virus have died.

"Given the amount of influenza circulating in the community now, four deaths is not unexpected," Alberta's senior medical officer of health Dr. Gerry Preddy said. "It is tragic, it is unfortunate when anybody dies but during our seasonal influenza, when we get this level of activity we're seeing now, we do see deaths."

One of the victims was from Edmonton. The rest were from Calgary, central and southern Alberta, respectively. Two were middle-aged, and two were seniors. Three had pre-existing risk factors.

The news brings the Alberta death toll to 18.

Vaccination clinics re-opened Thursday, though only for young children. Pregnant women were to join the vaccine priority group Friday.

The number of hospitalizations from the virus are on the rise, Preddy said, adding 439 people have been admitted to hospital since April.

"I don't know if the vaccine will actually protect me."

Sharon Galbrith,
expectant mom

Roughly 25 per cent of those in intensive care have, or are suspected to have, the virus.

Children younger than nine years old represent 26 per cent of H1N1 patients hospitalized, but, so far, no children in Alberta have died from the virus, Preddy said.

Lineups at six Edmonton vaccination clinics flowed

smoothly Thursday, though some waiting patients were redirected to other sites with less traffic.

Though many parents brought their children to get vaccinated, some, like pregnant mom Sharon Galbrith, bypassed clinics without concern.

"I don't know if the vaccine will actually protect me," she said, adding her three-year-old son Gabriel won't be vaccinated either.

It is unknown if any of the recent H1N1 victims were injected with the vaccine, Preddy said.

More priority groups are expected to be added to the vaccination list next week.

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Caregiver pay in spotlight

Campaign seeks to ensure care for those with developmental disabilities

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Impending cuts to services for the disabled has prompted a new campaign by an Alberta public interest organization.

On Thursday, Public Interest Alberta launched "Who Cares? Alberta" to lobby the provincial government to initiate three-year social infrastructure plan.

Their primary area of interest is ensuring that people with developmental disabilities have access to competent caregivers, explains Bill Moore-Kilgannon, the executive director of Public Interest Alberta. Earning near minimum wage, caregivers for the disabled are often tempted by better paying jobs in other sectors. The province announced that these care-



Edmonton area musician Maria Dunn performs her song, "How I Live," a song she had written for families dealing with the day to day battle of living with a disability Thursday at a press conference held by Public Interest Alberta at 9912 106 St.

givers will not receive a pay increase as was initially budgeted, but will in-

stead receive a one-time bonus.

"The fact that we could-

n't increase the wages to a full five per cent this year, doesn't mean that the serv-

ices for persons with developmental disabilities would be any less," said MLA Mary Anne Jablonski, the minister for seniors and community supports. "We are working within the budget restraints that we have."

Despite the province's pledge to institute bonuses for caregivers, families whose children are disabled still struggle to find adequate support. Indeed, the stresses of day-to-day life hinders these families from advocating for themselves.

"You are trying to stand up and speak but every time you turn around the government is pushing you back down again," said Lorrie Baer, the mother of two children with disabilities. "For (those) caring for these kids their whole lives, we have no energy to say 'Let's try to do something.'"

Red ribbons are back to help fight drunk driving

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happens," said Connie Blackport, a member of the Edmonton and area chapter of MADD.

The effects of drinking and driving are devastating and MADD Canada and the Edmonton Police Service want to make sure that no one has to go through that this holiday season.

"Every story is painful, nobody should have to go through the pain of dealing with the loss of somebody due to an impaired driver," said Blackport.

"It is very frustrating that impaired driving still

The red ribbons are conveniently designed to attach to cars, purses, pin to jackets, and can even be used to accessorize that holiday party outfit.

From now until the first Monday after Jan. 1, drivers are encouraged to pick up their bright red ribbons to display on their vehicles to remind others not to drink and drive.

"We are hoping to see many of them out," said Blackport. "Everybody should sport one."



MADD's Connie Blackport and Edmonton Police Service Staff Sgt. Bill Horne remind the public of the dangers of drinking and driving, Thursday at the EPS Headquarters.

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Caribou decline a hoax: Outfitter

Caribou herds aren't shrinking; scientists are just looking in the wrong place. That's the opinion of some aboriginal elders and at least one outfitter determined to expose what he calls a fraud. John Andre, owner of Montana-based Shoshone Wilderness Adventures, has maintained for years that official estimates of caribou populations have been manipulated. Government biologists, he says, have deliberately created the impression of declines.

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News in brief

DRUG BUST Authorities say a man was caught smuggling more than 40 kilograms of Ecstasy across the Michigan-Ontario border, then co-operated with agents to pinch the men waiting for the delivery. The man was caught Tuesday afternoon driving an empty car carrier across the Ambassador Bridge from Windsor, Ont., to Detroit. A U.S. Customs and Border Protection officer searched the vehicle's cab.

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POLITICS Public Safety Minister Peter Van Loan, under fire for sitting on a 2008 RCMP report on the Canadian firearms program, suggested staff at the national firearms registry are deliberately hiding information in order to ensure the registry's survival. Van Loan's stunning claim came on a day when another RCMP report showed the firearms registry of the Canadian gun control program is costing less and being used more than ever by police.

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St. John's Singing to survive



Robert Decker, 28, the lone survivor of a helicopter crash that killed 17 off Newfoundland's east coast, Robert Wells, commissioner of the Offshore Helicopter Safety Inquiry and Decker's lawyer Dan Simmons, right to left, are viewed on television monitors at the inquiry into the incident in St. John's, Thursday. Decker says he escaped the submerged chopper through a broken window, ascended to the surface and sang to himself as he waited to be rescued.

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Tories cash in on stimulus: Study

The biggest winners of the Conservatives' stimulus extravaganza include one of the prime minister's closest friends, a riding the Tories desperately hope to win in a by-election next week and a longtime party stalwart.

Eastern Ontario MP Scott Reid, the Nova Scotia riding of Cumberland-Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley and British Columbia MP Jim Abbott are three of the clearest winners in the distribution of stimulus spending, a broad analysis shows.

The analysis assigned each stimulus project a score, according to whether the government said it was small (under \$100,000), medium (between \$100,000 and \$1

million), large (between \$1 million and \$5 million) or extra-large (over \$5 million).

The results show that Conservatives come out on top in most provinces, although occasional opposition ridings do well, too. In B.C., Conservatives win seven of the top 10 rankings. Ditto for Ontario. In New Brunswick, three of the top four scores go to Tories.

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The good life for senators costs taxpayers \$177 million

The 27 senators appointed by Prime Minister Stephen Harper over the last year could cost Canadian taxpayers \$177 million over the life of their tenure, according to a study released by New Democrat MP Peter Stoffer. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Liberals, NDP burned by torch route

The Liberals and NDP are up in arms because ridings held by the Harper Conservatives will have a much better chance of taking part in the Olympic torch relay celebrations.

In Ontario, the torch will manage to hit nearly three-fifths of the 51 Conservative-held ridings.

Across the country, the

"The route planning was not based whatsoever on political ridings."

Andrea Shaw

torch relay will be celebrated in 91 Conservative-held ridings, 20 Liberal ridings,

17 NDP ridings and 17 Bloc Québécois ridings.

VANOC, the Vancouver Olympic organizing committee, denies the Conservative government had any input into the torch relay route.

The Conservatives, too, say the opposition complaints are off the mark.

"This torch relay route was designed 100 per cent by VANOC, not the government," Heritage Minister James Moore told MPs.

Andrea Shaw, VANOC's vice-president of sponsorship and marketing, said: "The route planning was not based whatsoever on political ridings."

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No problems with H1N1 vaccine: WHO

The World Health Organization says millions of doses of H1N1 vaccine have been given so far and no unusual side-effects have been seen. Dr. Keiji Fukuda, the agency's top flu expert, told a news conference in Switzerland on Thursday that 20 countries have started to administer the pandemic vaccine, which appears to be very safe. "We see no evidence at all that there is widespread occurrence of antiviral resistance," Fukuda told reporters.

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Does Google know your every move?

INTERNET The world's most pervasive Web presence knows what you're interested in, where you go on vacation, maybe even when you're having lunch. As of now, you're free to check exactly what Google has gleaned about your life. The tech giant launched its Dashboard feature Thursday. Once you've signed in to your email, it summarizes the info that has been gleaned when you use any of about 20 Google products.

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Military base massacre

Suspect in hospital after shooting rampage kills 12 in Texas

A U.S. Army psychiatrist set to be shipped overseas opened fire at the Fort Hood, Texas, Army post Thursday, authorities said, a rampage that killed 12 people and left 31 wounded in the worst mass shooting ever at a military base in the United States.

The gunman, first said to have been killed, was wounded but alive and in stable condition under military guard, said Lt. Gen. Bob Cone at Fort Hood.

"I would say his death is not imminent," Cone said. Col. Ben Danner said the suspect was shot at least four times.

The man was identified as Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan, a 39-year-old, eight-year veteran from Virginia. There was



Monica Cain, 44, tries to get in touch Thursday with her husband, Sgt. Darren Cain, who was stationed at Fort Hood, Texas.

no official word on motive. Hasan had transferred to Fort Hood in July from Walter Reed Medical Center, where he received a poor performance evaluation, according to an official who

spoke on condition of anonymity.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison said generals at Fort Hood told her that Hasan was about to deploy overseas.

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Killings shaking Brits' faith in Afghan mission

AFGHANISTAN The deaths of five British soldiers gunned down by an Afghan policeman has shaken U.K. public support for the war in Afghanistan, intensifying debate about the human cost of the conflict and increasing calls for a pullout.

If British troops can't trust the Afghan colleagues they are supposed to be training, critics asked Thursday, how can they fight the Taliban? And where does it leave an exit strategy that depends on handing over control to Afghan forces?

The deaths dominated newspaper front pages, television news shows and radio phone-ins, even as the Ministry of Defence announced the death of an

UN pulls workers

- The United Nations said Thursday that it will send more than half its international staff either out of Afghanistan or into more secure compounds following last week's deadly Taliban attack against UN workers.

other British soldier Thursday in an explosion in Helmand province.

"I don't think we ever should have gone there," said Jane Cooke, 49, expressing an increasingly common view.

"There is an inner conflict going on there, and it's never going to be resolved."

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Taking a long view into the future

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s living in one of the more remote subdivisions of Edmonton a right or a privilege?

At one time, I might have come down on the "it's my right" side of this question. But as Edmonton

grapples with becoming a sustainable city, I now think it's a privilege.

In the past few years, the city has approved quite a bit of residential development on the fringes of the city. Whether or not this should have been allowed to happen is open to debate. However, what's not debatable is the fact that urban sprawl comes with a high price tag, both environmentally and economically. Except for developers and residents, there is no real benefit to the city hav-

ing done so.

However, our municipal mavens may be rethinking whether or not we really need or want this kind of development to continue unobstructed. Three items in the news lately may show that we are finally getting a handle on exactly what kind of city we want to be now and in the future.

The first is the suggestion that developers pony up a transportation assessment when land is developed. The rationale is that

when the population has grown to a point that warrants it, the city would provide bus or LRT service to the neighbourhood.

This is thinking that looks beyond the present and takes a long view to the future. We are an automobile dependant city, and that is neither desirable nor sustainable. Providing LRT access to far-flung communities would reduce the number of cars coming into the downtown each day and save on infrastructure main-

nance costs.

For some developers this signals the end of the world. Somehow I don't think so. For far too long we have let the tail wag the dog when it comes to developers.

That's exactly what happened when the city allowed the building of monster houses on the edges of the river valley, thus denying the public visual access to one of the major additions to our quality of life. Some council members are asking if

this was the right thing to do. Good on them.

The third thing that perhaps shows a different kind of thinking coming to the fore is the continued approval of high density housing in neighbourhoods close to the downtown. If we want to be a sustainable city, increased densification of existing neighbourhoods is crucial to reaching that goal.

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Views

How did grandma get on Facebook?

ModernLife

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For years my parents have yearned to know every little thing about their grandkids' lives. However, phone calls were unproductive. "Yes, yes, no. Bye grandma."

Emails were even shorter. "Luv u 2." So recently, I suggested my mom get a Facebook account.

Sooner than you can say, "Grandma" would like to add you as a friend on Face-

book," grandkids were actually leaving their rooms and asking, "Do I have to add grandma on Facebook?"

My siblings and I shrugged. The kids reluctantly added grandma. Briefly, the thought fluttered through their minds that all those pictures showing 14 year olds hanging out in the park and getting into "mischief," and 17-year-old band members performing in their underwear might be unwise.

However, that was soon forgotten because grandma didn't download a picture, so she seemed and, in fact, was faceless.

But she lurked. I instruct-

ed her early on not to post on anyone's wall (Stuff like — Shouldn't you be doing your homework instead of posing with those scantily clad girls?) And she's been taking my advice. "I love it honey — it's like being a fly on the wall. What is a hook-up, anyway?"

Of course, it's taken over her life. I imagine my dad bravely pacing around the house wondering where his next meal is coming from.

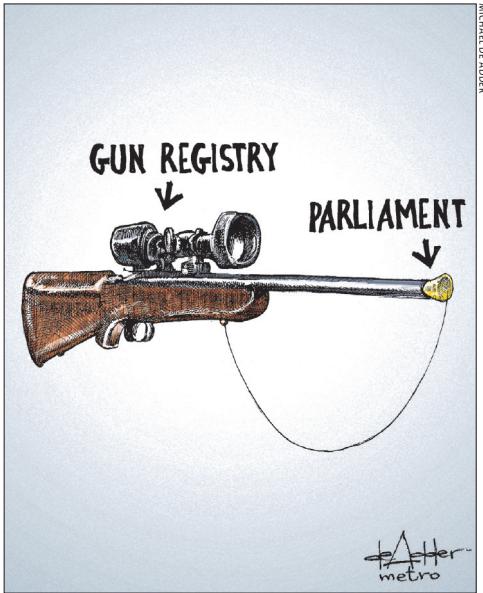
It won't be from grandma, whose eyes are bugged out as she scans through pictures of her granddaughter's 20th birthday party.

It certainly provides a different view of her grandkids, but rather than tut-

tutting she's keeping (grand) mum. Instead of being sucked in by those cherubic faces smiling in fake innocence across the Christmas dinner table, her new Facebook X-ray vision shows them to be the hellions they really are. Christmas stockings are more likely to be stuffed with hookah pipes, fake ID and gift certificates to rehab (for the older ones) this year rather than the traditional gloves and scarves.

But she's not complaining. That's because she's hit the (grand) motherlode.

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Fewer customers gulped down Arby's roast beef sandwiches at the third quarter, as more and more fast-food diners stayed home because of the recession, Wendy's/Arby's Group Inc. said Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Business

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Opel workers walk off job

Fearing widespread layoffs, thousands of Opel workers walked off the job across Germany Thursday to protest General Motors Co.'s decision to abandon the unit's sale to new owners.

Their indignation was echoed by Russian and German leaders, who both questioned GM's decision. Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin claimed GM exhibited an "arrogant attitude" in abandoning months of negotiations.

Workers at Opel's headquarters in Rüsselsheim vented their frustration and anger at a rally.

"Our trust (in GM) is now zero, and that is the heart of the problem," Klaus Franz, the head of Opel's employee council, told the workers.

Organizers estimated



An Opel worker carries a coffin past the historic Opel main entrance in Rüsselsheim, Germany Thursday. Opel employees walked off their jobs to attend a mass rally at the automaker's headquarters, protesting GM's decision to abandon the unit's sale to new owners the workers hoped would preserve jobs.

that 10,000 workers attended while police put the figure at 6,000. Smaller rallies were being held at factories in Bochum, Eisenach and

Kaiserslautern.

German politicians were still furious over the switch. Chancellor Angela Merkel's office said she had dis-

cussed it with President Barack Obama, who told her he had no involvement in Tuesday's decision by the board of the majority government-owned company.

The decision was an embarrassment to Merkel, coming hours after she had addressed the U.S. Congress. German officials swiftly demanded a restructuring plan from Detroit and vowed to recover by Nov. 30 a \$2.2-billion US bridge loan granted to keep Opel afloat as a buyer was sought.

German workers worry GM will make even more cuts to return Opel to profit than Magna would have. Still, the decision won a cautious welcome from union officials in Britain and Poland, where workers had feared possible cutbacks in a Magna takeover.

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Rose-coloured employment data?

ECONOMY The surprisingly sharp turn-around in Canada's labour market this summer is raising eyebrows among analysts that the most timely and critical barometer of eco-

nic and contracted by 0.1 per cent in August.

"Why would employers be adding so much to their payroll when the economy on balance still stinks?" Holt asks.

The recent employment gains are also at odds with the general belief that as the economy recovers, jobs are one of the last indicators to return since firms will re-

sort to increasing the hours of the employees they have before adding workers. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Krejci out with swine flu

Boston Bruins centre David Krejci is out indefinitely with the swine flu. General manager Peter Chiarelli announced Thursday that the team's medical staff confirmed a diagnosis of H1N1 for the 23-year-old. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Sports

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**Under Armour signs GSP**

Canadian fighter and UFC welterweight champion Georges St. Pierre, left, has signed a multi-year endorsement deal with Under Armour, a Baltimore-based company whose "performance apparel" line includes underwear. Starting in the spring, St. Pierre will become the face of Under Armour's BoxerJock and BoxerBrief underwear.

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Rangers power past Oilers

New York ends four-game road losing skid, Edmonton's woes worsen

NHL RESULTS**New York 4 Edmonton 2**

Ales Kotalik had a goal and two assists as the New York Rangers halted a four-game road losing streak with a 4-2 win over the Edmonton Oilers on Thursday night.

Marian Gaborik, Christopher Higgins and Ryan Callahan also scored for the Rangers (10-6-1) who had just two wins in their previous eight games.

Lubomir Visnovsky and Mike Comrie replied for the Oilers (7-8-1), who have lost three in a row and six of their last seven.

After a rather slow start to the game by both teams, the Rangers broke the deadlock with just under five minutes to play in the



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could find the puck before Rangers goalie Stephen Valiquette could get back into position.

The Rangers outshot Edmonton 14-8 in the first.

New York went up 2-0 midway through the second on a power-play goal as Michael Del Zotto send the puck towards the net, and Callahan deflected it over Khabibulin's shoulder.

The Rangers conclude a three-game trip in Calgary on Saturday while Edmonton embarks on a five-game road swing, beginning Sunday in Colorado.

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"That's been killing us all year," the veteran slotback said of the last-minute losses after Thursday's workout. "I can count at least four or five times this year where we didn't play the whole 60 minutes."

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Simon upset at late-game Lions' losses

CFL Geroy Simon thinks his B.C. Lions teammates have finally figured out that they have to play football games to the final whistle.

They've had some harsh lessons lately and now face the Edmonton Eskimos on Friday with the winner claiming the final playoff berth in the CFL's tough West Division.

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Possible lockout looms over CFL

LABOUR There could be labour strife looming on the horizon for the CFL.

Two league sources requesting anonymity told The Canadian Press on Thursday the CFL Players' Association is visiting with teams talking about a potential lockout as the two sides head into the off-season looking to secure a new collective bargaining agreement. The present deal expires the day before the start of training in 2010.

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Switzerland Getting big air



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Kazuhiro Kokubo of Japan, the winner, competes during the final of the men's Snowboard Half-Pipe FIS World Cup 2009 event, Thursday, on the Allalin glacier in Saas-Fee, Switzerland.

Underdog takes on MMA legend in fight straight out of Hollywood

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FEDOR He's got the physique of a professional bowler not a brawler, the disposition of a dead fish and a name you can't pronounce. But make no mistake, Fedor Emelianenko is the most exciting and dangerous fighter on the planet. He's the Babe Ruth of mixed martial arts, and on Saturday night he will headline the biggest MMA fight of the year, Strikeforce: Fedor vs. Rogers, airing live and for free on CBS.

Fedor, as he's known, has lost just once in 31 fights, and that was nine years ago. Among the fallen are four former UFC heavyweight champs, three current UFC heavyweight contenders and one 7-foot-2 giant. He's beaten them with punches and

grappling. All but a handful of his fights have been in Japan, where he's regarded as something between a rock star and Godzilla.

With dollar signs in their eyes, the UFC tried desperately to sign Fedor three months ago, envisioning a show-down with their muscle-bound champion,

Brock Lesnar. Fedor Emelianenko

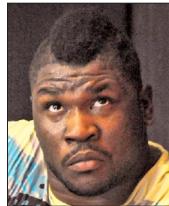
to Fedor's Grendel is Brett Rogers, a soft-spoken mountain of muscle with a Mr. T mohawk and sleep in his fists. Rogers is undefeated in 10 fights but until four months ago he made his living changing tires. Punching people unconscious was merely a hobby.

Then, Rogers knocked out former UFC champ Andrei Arlovski in just 22 seconds, which is almost three minutes faster than it took Fedor to knock him out.

Now, Strikeforce has set up a fight even Hol-

lywood couldn't script, a mythic invincible Russian versus an all-American underdog with the proverbial puncher's chance of winning. Come to think of it, this was a movie, Rocky IV. While Fedor is obviously Ivan Drago, it just remains to be seen whether Rogers is Rocky Balboa or Apollo Creed.

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Sports in brief

MLB San Francisco Giants star pitcher Tim Lincecum is facing misdemeanor marijuana charges following a traffic stop in his home state of Washington.

MMA UFC heavyweight champion Brock Lesnar has mononucleosis and can't fight at UFC 108 in January, according to opponent Shane Carwin.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

American takes lead at WGC

GOLF So much for that notion that American golfers don't travel well.

The first World Golf Championship in Asia opened Thursday to a leaderboard filled with Stars&Stripes, led by wide-eyed Nick Watney and his 8-under 64 that tied the course record.

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FieldofPlay

Scott Russell

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The Canadian Finals Rodeo started in 1974, and was originally hosted in the Edmonton Gardens. In 1975, CFR moved to the Coliseum, which is now known as Rexall Place. CANADIANFINALSRODEO.CA

CANADIAN Finals Rodeo

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More prize money

Due to an unclaimed 50/50 ticket at last year's CFR, the prize money has been carried over and will be awarded at the opening night performance on Nov. 11. One lucky fan will win a minimum of \$16,662. All proceeds from 50/50 will go to the Cowboy Benevolent Fund.

Edmonton's 'biggest party'

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For the past 35 years, the dust has settled on Edmonton for five days in November as the cowboys and girls take over the streets.

This year will be no different as nearly 90,000 fans are expected to take in the 36th Canadian Finals Rodeo (CFR) at Rexall Place starting on Nov. 11.

"We like to call it Edmonton's biggest party in November," said Northlands spokesperson Sandra

Pysklywyc. "We're hoping that people will catch the excitement, put on their jeans, pull out their hats, dust off their boots and come on out and enjoy western hospitality."

One hundred and twenty contestants from Canada, the United States and New Zealand will compete in 10 different events, including Saddle Bronc Riding, Tie-down Roping, and Ladies Barrel Racing, for \$1.27 million in prize money.

"This is the big event for them for sure," Pysklywyc said.

"CFR is considered the



The Canadian Finals Rodeo is considered the pinnacle of the rodeo season, organizers say.

Where to get your tickets

- Advance tickets are available through Ticketmaster locations, at 780-451-8000 and at ticketmaster.ca.
- Group rates and a variety of promotional ticket offers are available. Check out canadianfinalsrodeo.ca for details.
- Tickets to performances on Nov. 11, 12 and 14 (matinee)
- range from \$18-\$50.
- Tickets to performances Nov. 13-15 (evenings) range from \$19-\$54.
- Farmfair International admission is \$5 per person. Individuals who purchase CFR or Heritage Ranch Rodeo tickets will receive free admission to Farmfair International.

pinnacle of the rodeo season. It's what the rodeo athletes work all year for."

Whenever the rodeo is in town, Farmfair International is right there with it. Starting today and running until Nov. 15, the premiere agriculture showcase, featuring the Heritage Ranch Rodeo, will be right next door to the CFR at the Edmonton EXPO Centre at Northlands.

Part of FarmFair International this year will be the

Dodge City Western Trade and Gift Show.

"People can come down and get all the best in western art and wear," Pysklywyc said. "It's a great place to shop for Christmas."

While Christmas is still a month and a half away, the CFR is here now and there will be plenty of celebrating going on at Rexall starting with the opening ceremonies on Nov. 11.

"Our opening ceremonies are not to be

missed, they're electric," Pysklywyc said.

"From the minute the anthem singer starts and the rodeo athletes are getting ready behind the chutes and you can hear the crowd starting to buzz, it's really an amazing atmosphere."

Six action-packed performances over five days, wild pony racing, cowboy poker, and all the cowboy hats you can handle under one roof.

Daily schedule

Here's the order of daily events from Nov. 11-15:

- Opening ceremonies
- Grand entry
- Bareback
- Steer Wrestling
- Novice events
- Boys Steer Riding
- Team Roping
- Intermission
- Sponsor parade
- Saddle Bronc
- Feature entertainment
- Tie-Down Roping
- Ladies Barrel Racing
- Bull Riding

These acts will be at Rexall Place:

- **Nov. 11:** George Canyon, O Canada and specialty act
- **Nov. 12:** Aaron Pritchett, O Canada; Northern Cree, specialty act
- **Nov. 13:** Brett Kissel, O Canada; Strathcona Mounted Troop, specialty act
- **Nov. 14:** Victoria Banks, O Canada; Wild Pony Racers, specialty act (matinee)
- **Nov. 14:** Lisa Hewitt, O Canada; Cowboy Poker, specialty act (evening)
- **Nov. 15:** Crystal Shawanda, O Canada and a specialty act with special guests Niki Cammaert and Tess Thurston

Northlands volunteers contribute more than 30,000 hours

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fitting that the volunteer corps — presently 2,100 strong — continues to fuel the CFR and Farmfair International engines.

"Everybody has an interest, everybody has something that they love to do and they're passionate about, and we're very lucky that so many people in the capital region agree to volunteer and help out," said Laura Gadowsky, chair of Northlands' volunteer co-ordinating committee.

"We couldn't do these major events like the CFR without our volunteers."

Northlands volunteers contribute more than 30,000 hours of service each year. They work in partnership with Northlands staff to implement major programs and events.

For CFR alone, there are more than 500 volunteer jobs. Everything from greeters, to security, to timers, to the team that

produces Rodeo Magic, is all done with a combination of staff and volunteers.

Whether it's helping rodeo athletes find their hotels or selling 50/50 tickets to fans, CFR volunteers have their hands in just about everything.

Gadowsky said the number of volunteers is just right, but she'd like to see some younger people, between the ages of 16 and 30, come out and help.

"We have no trouble finding volunteers in the retired age group, but recruiting younger volunteers has been tough," she said. "Their lives are busy; life is crazy, there's a lot going on. We would love to have more people in that age group volunteer but that being said, those who are retired have a lifetime of skills and expertise and the time to commit. We couldn't do CFR or Farmfair without them."

While the volunteer numbers are good this year, Gadowsky said she still would love more people to join their basic database. You can do that by going online at northlands.com/volunteers.

Aside from that, Gadowsky said her team of helpers is definitely ready for the rodeo to kick off.

"We're absolutely ready," she said. "We're going to rock this city like we haven't done before."

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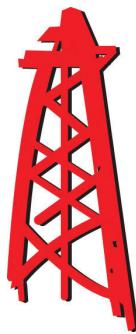
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Kyle Bowers

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"Every time you get on, it's tough on the body," said the reigning Canadian Finals Rodeo (CFR) champion. "You take a little bit of a beating but when you're doing things right, it's a lot of fun."

That's the life of a professional bareback rider. Broken bones, torn muscles, and getting right back up on that horse again.

"I've actually been kind of lucky," said Bowers. "I've broken my arm twice, I've torn the ligaments out of my elbow, I've torn the ligaments out of my knee, I've broken my foot, I've broken ribs, and I've bruised a lung. Aside from that, I've been fairly lucky."

A bareback rider competes at the 2008 Canadian Finals Rodeo in Edmonton.

Bowers has had plenty of injuries throughout his career, but he's matched that in success at the CFR. He won back in 2003 and again in 2008. Sprinkle in a few runner-up performances and you can see why he's looking forward to this year's competition.

"Any time you get to go to Edmonton for the CFR, you're pumped," he said. "This year is going to be

pretty cool since I'm going back in as the reigning champion. I've got to try and defend my title so it definitely adds a little more excitement.

"I've got a big bull's-eye on my back," he added.

Dusty LaValley, from Crooked Creek, Alta., helped relieve some of the pressure by coming in to the CFR ranked number one. But Bowers said he hopes to overtake LaValley in Edmonton.

"I know it's going to be a very tough fight once we get there," he said. "All the best guys in Canada are there and anybody can win on any day. It's going to be a good fight and a really good competition."

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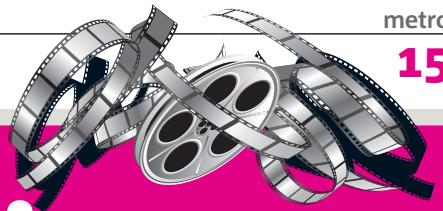
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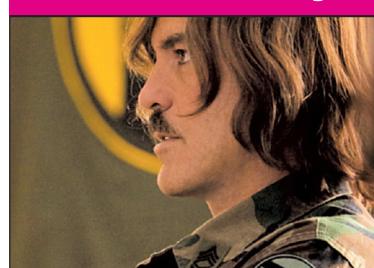
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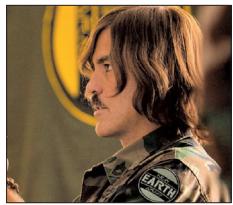
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Absurd Goats funny

The Men Who Stare at Goats**Director:** Grant Heslov**Stars:** George Clooney, Ewan McGregor, Jeff Bridges**Classification:** 14A**Rating:** **★★½**George Clooney stars in *The Men Who Stare at Goats*.

Despite a popular notion, not every George Clooney movie can be Oscar material. This one isn't, but it is an often wickedly funny poke at U.S. military might.

Grant Heslov based the film on *The Men Who Stare at Goats*, Jon Ronson's examination of "the apparent madness at the heart of U.S. military intelligence" and comes up with an unexpectedly complex tragicomedy and Clooney makes it palatable.

The film details psychic warfare techniques allegedly developed in an official secret unit called the New Earth Army, falling in

Vietnam veteran turned hippie named Django (Jeff Bridges) declared war on war and invited soldiers to love the universe.

Experiments lead to the formation of the New Earth Army of "psychic soldiers" steeped in new age philosophy and psychotropics who developed the abilities of remote viewing, walking through walls, killing with a touch, stopping a goat's heart by staring forcefully, reading minds — strategies meant to induce shock, awe, and capitulation in the minds of the enemy.

Men is surreal, tragic, and funny. Clooney is as charismatic and compelling and helps us believe a dicey premise. McGregor is OK, cast unsuitably as Bill. *The Men Who Stare at Goats* is an interesting film trapped inside something being sold as a mass market comedy.

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Portman's sex scene 'extreme'

Natalie Portman has branded her lesbian sex scene "extreme." The 28-year-old actress insists there is nothing compelling about the romp with Mila Kunis in the new movie Black Swan. She said: "It's not raunchy — it's extreme." FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK


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Cold Christmas

A Christmas Carol**Director:** Robert Zemeckis**Stars:** Jim Carrey**Classification:** STC**Rating:**
STEVE GOW
 for Metro Canada


I've never understood the appeal of motion capture animation. Sure, Robert Zemeckis may have mastered the technical trickery of making the real Tom Hanks look like an animated Tom Hanks in 2004's *The Polar Express*, but I just couldn't help thinking, "Why didn't you just film the real Tom Hanks?"

The question is raised again in the case of *A Christmas Carol*, in which Zemeckis hooks Jim Carrey up with sensors to capture his skillfully-portrayed six roles (including Ebenezer Scrooge) only to animate said characters into a 3-D form that essentially strips the life from their eyes.

As if that wasn't problematic enough, the Oscar-winning director chose one of the world's most iconic stories to reproduce with this fancy, but ultimately alienating technology.

For those uneducated in the ways of Scrooge, he is a curmudgeon wrapped up in his own selfish misery until visited by a series of spirits who show him his influence on those around him.

Indeed, it's a tale that has resonated with folks ever since Charles Dickens conceived it in 1843 for its wholesome themes of family, redemption and selflessness which all reflect the exact opposite of Zemeckis' main accomplishment with this remake: self-indulgently grandstanding his own command of motion-capture animation.

Don't get me wrong — the effects are simply stunning. But after the initial novelty of the digital wizardry wears off and you seek the warmth and heart that's allowed the original story's longevity, you'll more likely discov-

er this cold, unnecessary undertaking will leave you muttering "bah-humbug" on your way home.

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Music



Maxime Morin, who performs under the moniker Champion, is touring in support of Resistance.

Resistance grows

Montreal Electronic act Champion embraces rock, adds new vocalist

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

"In life, if you don't go forward, you go backward."

The adage is familiar to Maxime Morin, advice commonly bestowed on him by his father while growing up in Québec.

It was with that maxim in mind the Montréal-based DJ, who performs under the moniker Champion, approached his latest album Resistance. The followup to 2004's Chill 'Em All certainly does reflect progression in the electronic artist's oeuvre, with heavier rock influences and wholly different vocal fronting.

But forward movement didn't come easy to Morin. "When I started Resistance, after the first six months, I really felt I was going backward. I wasn't evolving, challenging myself, or going anywhere other than where I was," he said. Stuck in the musical mindset he'd perfected over three years touring Chill 'Em All, Morin trashed the initial tracks he recorded for Resistance and went into seclusion, an act he said was key to start recording as himself, without external influences.

"When you isolate, you

give yourself the ability to be a loser, to cry. Musically speaking, you allow yourself to compose bad songs." Morin said he was able to purge the scraps and make strides by acknowledging his personal weakness. "We are always trying to avoid it in our lives, with our ego, trying to be good, tough and come at the world in our best fashion. But weaknesses are in us all the time."

To wean weakness, Morin focused on his strength: live performance. Knowing most people discover his music from Champion's energized live sets — always more rock-focused than his albums — Morin aimed to capitalize on the style.

"Rock is a song but it's also a structure. Rock is lyrics-oriented," he said.

"In techno we have long tracks with no chorus. It's very primitive and I love it very much. That was a challenge for me, to compose music that was oriented on the lyrics and not the music or repetition."

Rock is also fixated on the frontman. So while Morin's decision to replace Chill 'Em All's unflappable baritone vocalist Betty Bonifassi (who's since made her own mark

"That was a challenge for me, to compose music that was oriented on the lyrics and not the music or repetition."

Maxime Morin

with Montréal electronic duo Beast) with Pierre-Philippe "Pilou" Côté may seem genre-discrepant, he justifies the switch on the basis of emotional equivalence.

"At the first concert I did with Betty, people were telling me, 'Oh, she looks like a junkie on stage. That's awful,'" said Morin, "That's not awful, that's her! To look at her being so weak, that's gorgeous. I like that."

That's how Morin said he knew audiences would latch on to Pilou. "He can put his soul into it. He is intense, he's not lying and he's all there. If you're fake and trying to be rock stars or cheap pop crap, of course you have to be good liars or actors. We're not."

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Music

In brief

CHARTS The following is HMV Canada's top 10 CDs based on national sales for the week ending Nov. 7.

1. This Is It — Michael Jackson
2. Play On — Carrie Underwood
3. Crazy Love — Michael Bublé
4. World Painted Blood — Slayer
5. Greatest Hits — Foo Fighters
6. Glee: The Music, Volume 1 — Various Artists
7. Raditude — Weezer
8. Soulbook — Rod Stewart
9. Sainthood — Tegan and Sara
10. Fearless (Platinum Edition) — Taylor Swift

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De-Timbaland-izing Chris Cornell

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Oviously, Chris Cornell felt he needed to make a Big Statement. After a quarter-century of playing the grunge game — with Soundgarden, Temple of the Dog, Audioslave, a couple of solo records and a James Bond theme — he wanted to try some-

thing different.

For reasons known only to him, he decided to hook up with Timbaland (Destiny's Child, Jay-Z, Jennifer Lopez, Rihanna and dozens more) to help him with this makeover.

He didn't give Cornell a makeover as much as he took over. The Scream album was pure Timbaland, full of electric R&B grooves, phat beats and backing vocals from people like Justin Timberlake. It was not what anyone expected (or wanted) from the voice behind Black Hole Sun and Rusty Cage. We should have taken the hint given in the cover art,

which featured Cornell smashing a guitar.

Fans were confused, then scornful. The critics were savage. It was a bold experiment, but it failed.

Enter Michael Friedman, a Canadian ex-pat working in LA licensing and placing music in TV shows and movies. He thought there was some good Soundgarden-esque stuff buried in all that production.

"I heard some Black Hole Sun greatness deep within some of the songs," he told me, "I also got to know Chris as a friend. I ended up calling Jordan Zadorozny (of the Canadian indie band Blinker the Star and co-writer of songs with Courtney Love and friend of Fleetwood Mac's Lindsey Buckingham)." I flew him down

to L.A. and had him listen to some of the tracks in hopes that he could remix them somehow."

The first track to be de-Timbaland-ized was Never Far Away. The messy, forced funkiness was stripped away and guitars

were reintroduced. The result is a proper Chris Cornell song, re-imagined, decluttered and grunged-up.

I was able to secure permission to stream this new version of the song at ExploreMusic.com.

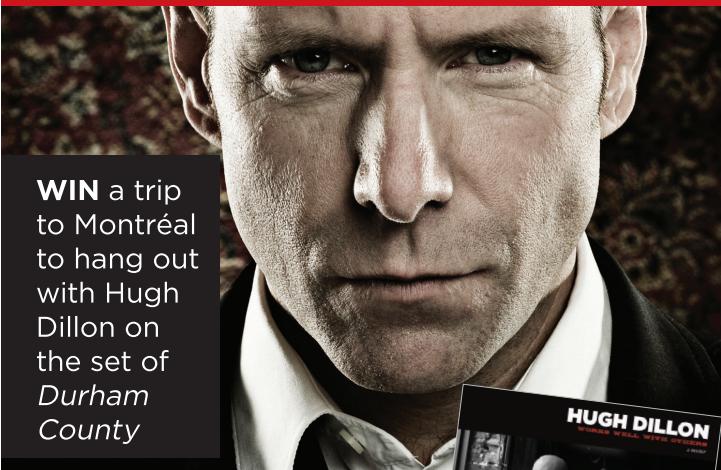
Reaction has been swift. Comments came in by the dozens. The story continues to spread across the web and around the world. We've seen lots of visits from Russia (especially St. Petersburg), Chile, Australia, Poland, Brazil, Bulgaria, Mexico and through Canada and the United States.

I'm told Chris is pleased and excited by the response. Could this be the start of the rehabilitation of Chris Cornell's Scream album? If so, it's a made-in-Canada solution. And there's been no word from Timbaland. Yet.

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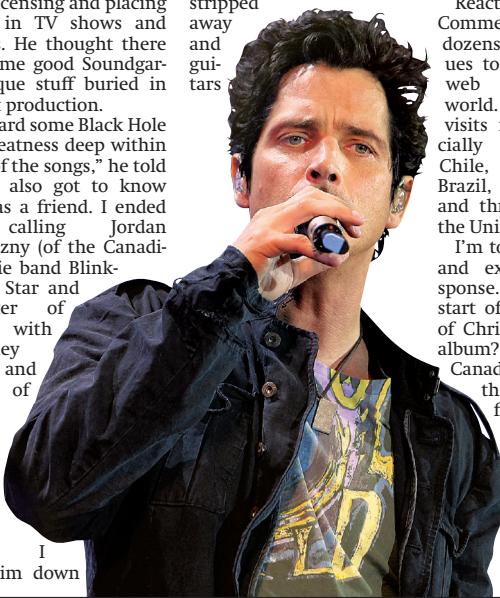
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Elvis Stojko set to release new single

PEOPLE Two-time Olympic silver medallist Elvis Stojko releases the first single from his new album today, called Let Me Be The One.

The album by the seven-time Canadian figure skating champion, entitled 100 Lifetimes, will be released later this fall.

A statement from Stojko's says the album represents "several years of

work in the studio."

Stojko's father was a professionally trained tenor and the release of 100 Lifetimes marks the start of the skater's music career. The songs will be featured as part of a musical figure skating show titled Rock the Ice to be held January 3rd in Peterborough, Ont.

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Television

Budget beauty

Shopping Bags hosts team up for new series

IAN JOHNSTON
for Metro Canada



Shopping guru Kristina Matisic says knowing how to shop doesn't mean you always make the right decisions.

"We definitely know how to shop for clothes," says Matisic, co-host of the new beauty-on-a-budget series Anna and Kristina's Beauty Call, premiering Tuesday on the W Network.

"But we don't always know style. And I think our new show is all about our search for style."

Best known for her long-running The Shopping Bags series, Matisic is once again teaming up with co-host Anna Wallner for this new show, which aims to help viewers pull off beauty and style on a budget.

To do this, Matisic and Wallner will test every beauty product imaginable, talk to experts, and offer up a makeover to a fashion victim. However, unlike other "makeover" shows, Beauty Call will feature nothing but "willing" participants.

"All our candidates volunteered," laughs Matisic. "But we're not out to change their whole life — just a specific look for a specific time."

For instance, in the opening episode the duo hosts help a woman find the right "professional look" for work.

However, things don't always go smoothly on Beauty Call. Matisic and Wall-



Kristina Matisic, left, and Anna Wallner are the hosts of the new style and beauty makeover series called Beauty Call on W Network.

ner's choices in fashion often come under the critical eye of experts, including Lisa Tant, editor-in-chief of Flare magazine.

"We definitely put our taste under the microscope on this," she says.

Since The Shopping Bags debuted in 1999, the TV landscape has exploded with dozens of shopping, fashion and makeover-related series of varying quality and interest. Matisic says what has always set her work apart from the others is her on-screen chemistry with co-host Wallner.

"People just like to watch our relationship and the differences that we have,"

says Matisic, who shares a background in television news with Wallner.

"But while we want to give information to people, we also want to entertain. To give them stuff they can use but do it in a fun way. That's what we always tried to do with Shopping Bags. And that's what we do with Beauty Call."

Matisic and Wallner now have their own company, Worldwide Bag Media, to handle their current and future projects.

"One goal is to get into producing stuff that we're not in," says Matisic. "And not about shopping."

Kristina and Anna's Beauty Call premieres Tuesday night on W

Big Bird still huge as Sesame marks 40 years

TELEVISION Big Bird is leaving Sesame Street!

That's what he decides on the Sesame Street season opener. A rapping real-estate agent pitches him on migrating to a new habitat ("habitat," the episode's Word on the Street). After sizing up a beach and a swamp for his new habitat, Big Bird chooses a rain forest.

But then he comes to his senses with a musical number.

"Sesame Street is my habitat!" he sings. "Sesame Street is my home!"

Indeed, Big Bird — that towering, yellow-feathered 6-year-old — has been calling Sesame Street home for four decades, ever since the

show premiered on Nov. 10, 1969.

Now, as it marks its 40th anniversary on Tuesday on PBS (check local listings), he remains an essential member of the flock.

He is still brought to life by Caroll Spinney, who also plays trash-can denizen Oscar the Grouch.

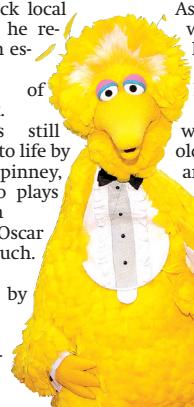
Hand-picked by Muppetmeister Jim Henson, Spinney

was 35 when Sesame Street began. He turns 76 the day after Christmas. In his dressing room at Kaufman Astoria Studios in Queens, where the show is taped, he was pondering an existential question not long ago.

"If you didn't know when you were born, how old would you think you are?" he mused. "I can apply that to Sesame Street's longevity: It seems like years, but I'd NEVER guess 40!"

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Television

Late night newcomers

Sykes, Lopez bring new comedy to white men's domain

In the blink of an eye, late-night TV is shifting from a white men's club to the start of a rainbow coalition.

Wanda Sykes' weekly Fox comedy show debuts 11 p.m. EST Saturday, followed by George Lopez's four-night-a-week talk show on TBS, starting 11 p.m. EST Monday. They join The Mo'Nique Show on BET.

Lopez is counting on an audience hungry for something different — as in the first Hispanic to host a nighttime talk show on a major network, cable or broadcast.

Sykes is the first black late-night host since the late 1990s, when celebrities Earvin (Magic) Johnson and Keenan Ivory Wayans tried and failed to follow in Arsenio Hall's successful 1989-94 footsteps.

"There's a huge percentage of people not watching late-night TV at all," Lopez said, figuring that the shows headlined by hosts including David Letterman, Conan O'Brien and Jimmy Kimmel draw from roughly the same audience pool.

For people of colour, the actor and comedian said, "I don't think a lot of their needs are met with the current talk shows. I would pull a different audience."

Shari Anne Brill, an analyst with media-buyer Carat USA in New York, echoes Lopez's assertion.

"There is a huge, growing multicultural population in this country, and the current late-night fare doesn't really take them into account," she said.

But neither Lopez nor Sykes are talking about practising exclusionary TV. Lopez's ABC sitcom drew a cross-section of viewers, and Sykes said she expects her show to attract the same mixed crowd she gets at her standup appearances.

"Young, old, male, female, all races, gay,

straight. I love the audience that I draw," Sykes said.

She rebuts the idea she got the job because of her gender, ethnicity or sexual orientation (the actress-comedian, who appears on CBS' The New

night talk show as a black, gay woman. But I've been at this for 20 years. I don't think they (networks) were saying, 'Hey, it would be fun to get a black woman on late-night. Who fits that role?'

"I got this show in spite of being a black lesbian," she said, adding that viewers will tune in to see her or Lopez and not a type.

"It's all driven by the host. It's not what you're getting from a minority, it's us," Sykes said.

She doesn't see an "Obama effect" in the sudden late-night diversity, given that she was approached before the election of the first African-American U.S. president. But Lopez said his interest was piqued as he campaigned for the Democratic candidate.



Wanda Sykes' new late night show, *The Wanda Sykes Show*, debuts Saturday. Along with a new nighttime George Lopez talk show, the Sykes program is hoping to draw a cross-section of viewers.

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Shari Anne Brill, analyst with Carat USA

Lopez promises to bring "the party back to late-night," signalling a looser, hipper hour in the tradition of The Arsenio Hall Show, said analyst Bill Carroll of media buyer Katz Television in New York. Sykes is planning Bill Maher-type panels with both lighthearted and serious discussion of politics and culture as part of her mix.

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Adventures of Old Christine, came out as gay in 2008.

"I do understand the importance of being on a late-

No Doubt sues over video game

LEGAL No Doubt has sued video game maker Activision for putting words in band members' mouths.



Gwen Stefani

The band on Wednesday sued Activision Publishing Inc. over a feature in the new Band Hero game that allows players to control virtual band members and have them sing other artists' songs.

The lawsuit claims a feature allows players to have lead singer Gwen Stefani perform suggestive lyrics from the Rolling Stones' hit Honky Tonk Women. The suit also notes a virtual version of bassist Tony Kanal can be made to sing his band's hit Just a Girl, but with Stefani's voice.

The game, an offshoot of Activision's popular Guitar Hero series, went on sale Tuesdays.

The company, which is based in Santa Monica, Calif., said in a statement that it engaged in extensive negotiations with No Doubt's management.

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Beyoncé's triple win, U2 plays tribute at MTV Awards

MUSIC Berlin loves Beyoncé.

The R&B superstar scooped up three wins Thursday at the 16th annual MTV Europe Music Awards, including trophies for best female, best song for Halo and best video for her No. 1 smash, Single Ladies (Put a Ring On It).

When she won the best video award, she thanked Jay-Z — who just happens to be her husband — for putting a ring on it.

Jay-Z was also honoured, winning MTV Europe's best urban act — though he said he looked forward to the day when "all those awards come down" that it's just music, plain and simple, adding "Danke schoen" (thank you in German) before leaving the stage.

Other winners included Green Day, the established trio whose punk-influenced tunes have garnered it a fan legion worldwide. The trio won the award for best rock act while U2, which earlier Thursday performed a six-song mini-set in front of the German capital's

Other winners

• Lady Gaga took best new act though she was not in person, having had to stay in New York and Eminem took best male, beating out Kanye West, Mika, Robbie Williams and Jay-Z for award. Turkey's maNga took home the best European act, giving Turkey the award for the second consecutive year — last year the country's Emre Aydin scored a trophy.

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iconic Brandenburg Gate, won best live act.

U2 frontman Bono paid tribute to Berlin, which marks the 20th anniversary of the collapse of the Berlin Wall on Monday, for its grit and determination. The band recorded its LP Achtung Baby in the city and drew inspiration from reunification to write its oft-played single One.

German pop quartet Tokio Hotel, which has toured steadfastly and built up a fan base outside



Singer Bono performs with his band U2 at the Brandenburg Gate in Berlin on Thursday. The concert, celebrating 20 years since the Berlin Wall fell, was in conjunction with the 2009 European MTV Awards.

of Germany won best group and played a set that saw its amps and equipment light up in organized pyrotechnics.

Katy Perry, who hosted the show for the second consecutive year, lauded Berlin and Germany, citing its history of division by the wall and sported a bevy of toned-down yet sultry costumes that hearkened back to Berlin's

Weimar-era of hedonism and decadence.

The telecast also featured performances by Foo Fighters, Leona Lewis and Shakira.

Bono is the only city to host the awards show twice — in 1994 and this year — a decision MTV said it made to mark the 20th anniversary of the Berlin Wall's collapse.

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In brief

PEOPLE Oprah Winfrey says she's keeping singer BeBe Winans (WHY'-nans) off her show until domestic violence charges against him are resolved. The gospel singer had taped appearances on Winfrey's "karaoke challenge" and was on last Friday. Following the show, some bloggers questioned whether Winfrey was guilty of a double standard by including Winans when she took a strong stand against domestic violence following Chris Brown's assault of then-girlfriend Rihanna.

NEW SHOW Elvis is coming to The Strip — Cirque du Soleil style. Cirque du Soleil announced Thursday that its new show in Las Vegas will be called *Viva ELVIS*. The show will be a tribute to the life and music of Elvis Presley. It will have a permanent home at the Aria Resort & Casino at MGM Mirage's CityCenter complex, set to open in December.

FINALE Bette Midler will perform her Las Vegas show *The Showgirl Must Go On* for the last time on Jan. 31. Midler's show has had a home for nearly two years at The Colosseum at Caesars Palace. Her stints at Caesar's began on Feb. 20, 2008.

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Toronto writer's book makes film debut

A documentary based on Toronto journalist Naomi Klein's book *Shock Doctrine* will make its North American premiere at the Sundance Film Festival. The film will debut Jan. 28, 2010 in Park City, Utah. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Television



Beyonce has her first performance in North Africa soon.

Beyonce accused of ‘disturbing social peace’

As Egypt gears for pop diva Beyoncé Knowles' first performance in North Africa, Islamic conservatives are branding her show an "insolent sex party" that threatens the Muslim nation's "social peace and stability"

san from the opposition Muslim Brotherhood wrote in a letter to the government. "You are accused of disturbing social peace and stability, encouraging vice and debauchery."

Another Islamic fundamentalist, Ali Laban, called for banning the "nudity concert." A Facebook campaign against Beyoncé's concert collected nearly 10,000 supporters.

But the war of words has not derailed the glitzy concert, due hundreds of miles south of Cairo in the luxury Red Sea resort of

luxury Red Sea resort of Port Ghalib. Organizers said "ultra" security will be deployed to protect the thousands of concertgoers.

lawmakers and their sup-

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	3	KHQ -	-	370	News (N)	Be-Millionaire	Jeopardy! (N)	Law & Order (HDTV) (N)	Law & Order (HDTV)	Jay Leno Show			
	4	CBXT -	-	307	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Ron James	Rick Mercer	CBC News: the fifth estate	CBC News: The National	The Hour		
	6	KREM -	-	372	News	Hollywood	The Doctors (N)	Ghost Whisperer (N)	(10:02) Medium (N)	NUMB3RS (N)			
	7	CKEM	241	347	Law & Order: SVU	The Jay Leno Show (N)	Supernanny (N)	Ugly Betty "Plus None"	Your City				
	8	CTV	240	339	ET	Entertainment	The Guard "Last Night"	(9:02) NUMB3RS (N)	Bones (HDTV)		News Hour		
	13	KXLY -	-	371	4 News at 6	4 News at 6:30	Entertainment	The Insider (N)	Supernanny (N)	Ugly Betty "Plus None"	2020 (N)		
news	16	KAYU -	-	373	The Office	Raymond	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	House "Unfaithful"	Bones (HDTV)	News		
	22	KSPS -	-	374	NewHour With Jim Lehrer	Wash. Week	McLaughlin	Bill Moyers Journal (N)	NOW on PBS	Being Served	Hallowed Grnd		
	15	CBCN	502	-	CBC News: The National	Berlin, 20 Years After (N)	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	Berlin-After			
sports	54	CTVN	501	391	CTV News Tonight	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News
	20	TSN	400	-	NBA Basketball:	Raptors at Hornets	CFL Football	Edmonton Eskimos at BC Lions.	From BC Place Stadium in Vancouver.				
	23	net	408	418	Over the Bolts	World Sport	Air Racing	Hockey Central	MMA Conn	Sportsnet Connected		Ult. Fighter	
family	47	SPEED	417	406	NASCAR Racing	Camping World Truck Series -- Winstar World Casino 350k.			Tracksidetv At... (HDTV)	NCWTS Setup	NASCAR Race		
	94	SCORE	410	403	(6) WWE SmackDown!	MMA Fight Night				WWE SmackDown!			
	14	YTV	552	543	iCarly	To Be Indie	Cheaper by the Dozen 2 ** (2005, Comedy)	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	That's-Weird			
cable variety	17	TREE	553	546	Little Bear	Bucket-Dinos	Babar	Big & Small	Max & Ruby	Dragon (DVS)	Backyardigans	NI Hao, Kai-Lan	Go, Diego, Go!
	45	FAM	557	541	Suite Life	The Suite Life on Deck	Agent Cody Banks ** (2003, Adventure)				The Thirteenth Year ** (1999, Drama)		
	25	A&E	615	520	Criminal Minds (HDTV)	Criminal Minds (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	(10:01) Criminal Minds			Criminal Minds		
cable variety	29	FOOD	603	561	Bobby Flay	Chef Abroad	Diner, Drive-In	Diner, Drive-In	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares	Unwrapped	Unwrapped	Bobby Flay	
	32	DISC	520	505	Man vs. Wild "Texas"	Investigation X		Daily Planet	Man vs. Wild "Texas"			Worst Driver	
	38	SPIKE	628	584	UFC Fight for the Troops (HDTV)				Disorderly Conduct: Video	DEA	DEA vs. Heroin Kingpin		
cable variety	39	AMC	-	-	(6) Unforgiven **** (1992, Western)		From Hell ** (2001, Suspense)	Johnny Depp, Heather Graham, Premiere.					
	43	SPACE	627	529	Sanctuary (N) (DVS)	Stargate Universe (DVS)	Star Trek						
	50	STAR	621	56	The View (HDTV)	(N) Dr. Oz Show (N)	TMZ	etalk	Hollywood	Extra		Dr. Oz Show	
FRIDAY	161	SIBER	-	-	Tyler Perry's Madea Goes to Jail (** (2009))	(8:45) Meet the Browns *** (2008, Comedy-Drama)						The Family That Preys	

Saturday												
ED	C	B	S	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
prime time	2	CFRN	239	318	W5 (N) (DVS)		Law & Order: SVU	CSI: NY	Law & Order (HDTV)	CTV News		
	3	KHQ	-	370	News (N)	Judge Judy	CSI: NY "Turbulence"	Mercy (HDTV)	Law & Order (HDTV)	Law/Ord SVU		
	4	CBXT	-	307	NHL Hockey	NHL Hockey New York Rangers vs Calgary Flames. (HDTV) (Live)			HNIC: After Hours			
	6	KREM	-	372	News	Scrubs	Grey's Anatomy	NCIS: Los Angeles	Strikeforce: Fedor vs. Rogers			
	7	CKEM	241	347	My RNA Home		Glenn Martin Out There	False Pretenses ** (2003, Drama) Nick Stahl	The City Show			
	8	CTV	240	339	1917: The Missing		Battle of the Somme: The True Story	Last Soldier	Turning Points of History	News Final (N)		
	13	KXLY	-	371	(6) College Football Regional Coverage.	(HDTV) (Live)	The Insider (N)			Entertainment Tonight		
	16	KAYU	-	373	House	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Cops (N)	Cops	America's Most Wanted	News	
	22	KPSB	-	374	The Lawrence Welk Show (N)	May-December	Time Goes By	John Fogerty: Live by Request	Grammy-winning singer.	Magic Moment		
news	15	CBCN	502	-	National	Mansbridge	Prince William & Harry	National	News: At Issue	National	Mansbridge	
	54	CTVN	501	391	CTV News Weekend		CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	
	20	TSN	400	400	CFL Football	SportsCentre (HDTV) (Live)			NASCAR Racing	Nationwide Series - O'Reilly Challenge.		
sports	23	net	418	418	English Premier League Soccer Teams	TBA	Top 50 Sports Bloopers			PartyPoker.net	Sportsnet Con.	
	47	SCORE	417	406	(6) World of Outlaws Charlotte	- Sprints and Late Models.	World of Outlaws Charlotte - Sprints and Late Models. (HDTV)					
	94	SCORE	410	403	(6:30) NBA Basketball	Toronto Raptors at Dallas Mavericks.	WWE Vintage Collection					
family	14	YTV	552	543	Kid vs. Kat	League-Evil	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Funnest Home Videos	That's-Weird	Sorry-No Head	
	17	TREE	555	546	Bucket-Dinos	Play & Binoo	Calliou	Waybuloo	Little Bear	Dragon (DVS)	Kai-Lan, Go, Diego, Go!	
	45	FAM	557	541	(7:01) Jonas	Overruled!	Surf Life	Zoey 101	Zack & Cody	Han, Montana	Curly Sue *** (1991, Comedy-Drama)	
cable variety	25	A&E	615	520	Criminal Minds	(HDTV)	Criminal Minds "Doubt"	CSI: Miami	"Shattered"	(10:01) Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	
	29	FOOD	603	561	Chopped		Top Chef: Las Vegas	The F Word	Challenge	Chopped		
	32	DISC	528	505	Canada's Worst Driver		Time Warp Medieval catapult.	Cris Angel	Cris Angel	Canada's Worst Driver	Destroyed	
38	SPIKE	628	584	Ultimate Fighting Championship 102:	Couture vs. Noqueira (N)	Ultimate Fighting Championship 102: Couture vs. Noqueira			Disorderly			
	39	AMC	-	(6) The Godfather, Part II **** (1974, Crime Drama) Al Pacino, Robert Duvall, Diane Keaton.		The Godfather, Part III						
	43	SPACE	627	528	Stargate ** (1994, Science Fiction)	Kurt Russell, James Spader.	(9:35) Supernova + (2000, Science Fiction)					
50	STARZ	621	56	America's Next Top Model		America's Next Top Model (N)	Spice Girls	Star on Set	TMZ (N)	Fur (1979)		
	161	SUPER	Explicit Ills ** (2008, Drama) Marlin Cepeda			30 Days (2006, Drama) Hill Harper, Da Brat.	(10:15) Nightmare at the End of the Hall					

SUNDAY		ED	C	B	S	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime 11/8/09	2	CFRN	231	31	Degrassi: TNG	Degrassi: TNG	Cold Case	Dead Heat	The Amazing Race 15	Desperate Housewives	CTV News			
	3	KHOU	-	370	(6:15) NFL Football	Dallas Cowboys at Philadelphia Eagles.			News	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: NY			
	4	CBXT	-	307	Heartland (N)	(DVS)	Battle of the Blades (N)		The Nature of Things (N)	CBC News: The National	fifth estate			
	6	KREM	-	372	KREM 2 News at 6 (N)		60 Minutes (HDTV) (N)		The Amazing Race 15	Three Rivers (HDTV) (N)	Case Closed (N)			
	7	CKEM	241	347	Survivorman (DVS)		My ROMA Home (DVS)	Extreme Makeover: Home	Conviction Kitchen		Most Amazing			
	8	CTV	240	339	(6:19) Picture	Prod. Parker	Brothers & Sisters (N)	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	Family Guy (N)	Cleveland Sh	News Final (N)		
	13	KXLY	-	371	News	Explorer TV	Funnest Home Videos	Extreme Makeover: Home	Desperate Housewives	Brothers				
	16	KAYU	-	373	Shows "Fools for Love"	Brothers	American Dad	Family Guy (N)	Comedy Show	Family Guy (N)	Cleveland Sh	News		
	22	KPSB	-	374	Lark Rise to Candleford	Nature (HDTV) (N)	(DVS)	Masterpiece Contemporary (N)	Hallowed Grounds		MI-5			
	15	CBCN	502	-	CBC News: The National		The Berlin Wall		News: At Issue	CBC News: The National		The Berlin Wall		
news	54	CTVN	501	391	CTV News Weekend		CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	CTV News	
	20	TSN	400	400	(6:15) NFL Football	Dallas Cowboys at Philadelphia Eagles.			SportsCentre		Over the Bolts	E:60		
	23	net	401	418	NHL Hockey: Oilers at Avalanche		Sportsnet Con.	PartyPoker.net		Sportsnet Connected		Oilers in Hour		
	47	SPEED	417	406	Winter-Tunnel-Despain	Pinks -- All Out (HDTV)	Pinks Outtakes	Pinks Outtakes		Wrecked		SuperCars		
	94	SCORE	410	403	(6) MMA Fight Night	Poker Asian Pacific Tour.		FullTiltPoker.net	Million	Score Now		Score Now		
family	14	YTV	552	543	Agent Cody Banks *** (2003, Adventure)	Frankie Muniz, Hilary Duff,			Family Biz	Smallville "Abbyss"		Survive This		
	17	TREE	553	546	Friend Rabbit	Miss Spider	Pocoyo	Caillou	Waybuloo	Dragon (DVS)	Backyardigans	Ni Hao, Kai-lan	Go, Diego, Go!	
	45	FAM	557	541	(7) J.J. Jonas	Overruled!	Suite Life	Zoey 101	Zack & Cody	Han. Montana	You've Got Mail (1998, Romance-Comedy)			
	25	A&E	615	520	Criminal Minds (HDTV)		Criminal Minds (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)	(10:01) Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		
	29	FOOD	600	561	Iron Chef America		Dinner: Impossible		Restaurant Makeover	Get on Plate (Food Detective		Iron Chef Am.		
	32	DISC	520	505	(6) Nostradamus Decoded	MythBusters (N)			Anthony Bourdain	Nostradamus Decoded				
	38	SPIKE	628	584	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scn		
cable variety	39	AMC	-	(4)	(The Green Mile		Mad Men (N)	Mad Men		(10:02) Breaking Bad		Mad Men		
	43	SPACE	627	528	Donnie Darko *** (2001, Fantasy)	Jake Gyllenhaal, Lena Malone,				(9:25) Soylent Green *** (1973, Science Fiction)				
	50	STAR	621	56	Space Girls	This Is Avril	Girl Next Door	[et al]	Live at the Rehearsal Hall	Girl Next Door	Simple Life	Extra		
	161	SUPER	626	58	The Closer		Burn Notice (HDTV)		Trust Me	I've Loved You So Long *** (2008, Drama)				



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Britney in Australia

The kangaroos have a new reason to jump: Britney Spears has landed in Australia. "Longest flight ever but we had a great time ... So excited to be here," she Tweeted upon landing Thursday morning. She starts her 15-show Circus tour in the country Friday. [PEOPLE.COM](#)

Going Out

Mix of Six

Rocky Mountain Wine and Food Festival

When: Friday 4 to 10 p.m.
Where: Shaw Conference Centre

Enjoy the annual event by sampling local restaurant's most decadent dishes or by swigging wine from Wayne Gretzky's estate winery. \$18 online or \$20 at the door.

The Outdoor Miners 7" Release Party

When: Saturday 10 p.m.
Where: New City Suburbs

Edmonton's own Pop Echo Records celebrates the release of the Outdoor Miner's vinyl record. This locally based indie pop trio will be supported by The Wicked Awesomes and DJ Jamie North. \$5

Handmaid Mafia

When: Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Where: Savoy 10401-82 Ave and Orange Hall 10335 - 84 St
Crafters will relish this

opportunity to buy local handicrafts from indie artists and designers.

Global Visions Film Fest

When: Saturday 2 p.m.
Where: Stanley A. Milner Library Theatre

Celebrate Canada's oldest documentary film festival by attending Prom Night in Mississippi, by Oscar-winner Morgan Freeman. \$12

Rutherford House Remembers

When: Sunday noon to 4 p.m.
Where: Rutherford House

This historical house welcomes visitors to explore the roles of women in Edmonton during World War One.

Heritage Ranch Rodeo

When: Sunday
Where: Edmonton EXPO Center at Northlands

Show your Western roots by watching heritage ranches compete in wild cow milking and bronc riding.

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1

Up/In The Loop

DVD Make it a double bill next week. Both are colourful comedies on the surface — Up about a widower making the trip of his life in a balloon-propelled house, In The Loop about the bumbling idiocy of Anglo-American politics. But shades of black creep into the animated adventure — a new high point for Pixar. And Loop maybe the darkest satire of the year. Get ready for the laughs to stick in your throat.

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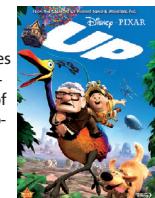
Mad Men Season Finale

TV Will Don and Betty Draper get a divorce? Will Peggy finally leave Sterling Cooper? Will Pete Campbell go back to work? Will they solve the Kennedy assassination? Too many questions (OK, we all know the answer to the last one). One episode. You know what to do.

3

New Super Mario Bros. (Wii)

GAME Rock Mario old school. The new title is a throwback to the '80s arcade classics that made jumping, stomping baddies and collecting mushrooms such a cool thing. Nintendo has also listened to what fans have been clamouring for decades — four people can now play on-screen at the same time.



4

Fido Film Awards

HONOUR Four-legged screen stars are vying for these awards, billed as the canine equivalent of the Oscars. Nominees include the animated dog stars of Bolt and Up, and the titular mutt in Marley and Me, among others. The winners will be chosen by a panel of British film critics and announced at the end of this month in London.

5

Ford County: John Grisham

BOOK A collection of short stories is commercial suicide for most writers. Not so for the bestselling author of legal thrillers. Grisham's imagined vignettes of small-town attorneys and their clients have started a publishing price war. Both Wal-Mart and Amazon are offering competing deals for pre-orders. And with Christmas around the corner, it will surely make its way to millions of gift lists.

6

Lego Movies

TREND Got a creative block? Turn to Lego. Films made from the kiddie favourite are all the rage on YouTube these days. There's Lego Star Wars, The Lego Ultimatum (with a smashing action sequence from the Bourne Series) ... the list goes on. Most impressive of them all is a re-imagined trailer for The Dark Night.

7

Phrases for The Young: Julian Casablancas

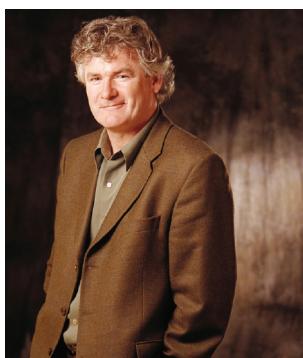
ALBUM Most of his band buddies have done it. Now it's his turn. The Strokes' front man's debut solo effort maybe a mixed bag but admit it, it's next the best thing to having a full-fledged album from the New York hipsters. And if this effort is any indicator, expect some techno-country and synth-gospel in the next Strokes release.



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In this image released by ABC, Diane Sawyer, left, interviews singer Rihanna about her relationship with ex-boyfriend Chris Brown in New York. The interview aired on the morning program Good Morning America on Thursday and will also air Friday on the prime time news program 20/20.

Rihanna's message

Singer tells abused women don't be blinded

Rihanna said Thursday that she regrets returning to ex-boyfriend Chris Brown after he left her bruised and battered during a February assault, warning other women facing domestic violence to not let themselves be blinded by love.

"It's completely normal to go back. You start lying to yourself," the 21-year-old singer said on Good Morning America in her first TV interview following the beating. "I'll say that to any young girl who is going through domestic violence: 'Don't react off of love.'"

Brown, 20, was arrested

Feb. 8, hours after he was accused of beating Rihanna after the couple attended a pre-Grammy Awards party. He later pleaded guilty to felony assault and a judge ordered Brown and Rihanna to stay away from each other.

In the interview, Rihanna, who is no longer with Brown, said she was ashamed to go back to him after the attack.

"That's embarrassing — that's the type of person I fell in love with. So far in love, so unconditional, that I went back," she said. "That's not what I want to teach people."

In her interview with

Good Morning America, Rihanna said she soon realized that, as a role model to young women, her returning to Brown sent the wrong message.

"When I realized that my selfish decision for love could result in some young girl getting killed, I could not be easy with that part. I couldn't be held responsible for telling them, 'Go back,'" she said. "I didn't realize how much of an impact I had on these girls' lives until that happened," she added. "It was a wake-up call for me, big time, especially when I took myself out of the situation."

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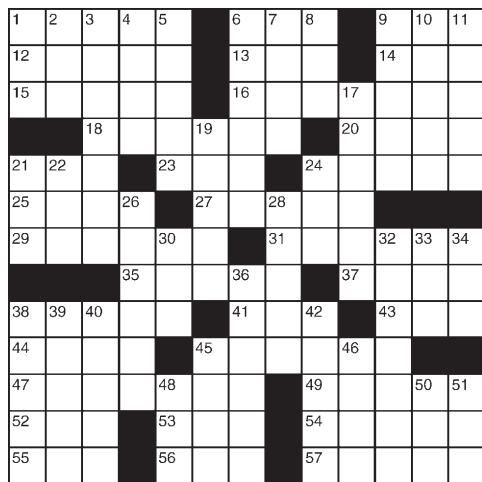
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**Michele McDougall, Weather Specialist & Host – Breakfast Television**

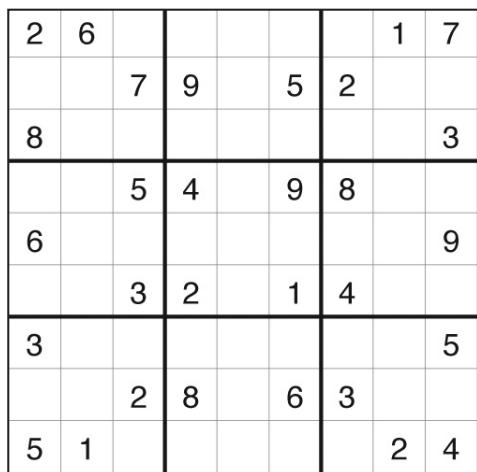
'My favourite part is reporting the weather. It fascinates me, and as we know around here, it's always changing, keeping forecasters on their toes.'

WEEKDAYS AT 6 A.M.

**Sudoku**

For more/less challenging Sudoku puzzles, visit metronews.ca

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

**ACROSS**

- 1 Urban sunning sites
- 6 Eisenhower
- 9 In olden days
- 12 Farther down the page
- 13 See 8-Down
- 14 High-arc shot
- 15 Postpone
- 16 Slogan
- 17 Entice
- 20 — out (supplements)
- 21 Hawaiian garland
- 23 Smack
- 24 Cubic meter
- 25 "It Romantic?"
- 27 Athletes
- 29 Buffet-table heater
- 31 Out of reach, maybe
- 35 Prevention measure
- 37 Leak slowly
- 38 Offspring
- 41 Exist
- 43 Gratuity
- 44 Ocean motion

45 Backbone-related

- 47 Recommended safety limit
- 49 Hotel accommodation
- 52 Lemieux milieu
- 53 Rowing need
- 54 Of an armhole
- 55 Apiece
- 56 Boom times
- 57 Plant swelling
- 17 Releases
- 19 Mustard variety
- 21 Fleur-de—
- 22 Superlative ending
- 24 Schuss
- 26 Bricklayer's tool
- 28 "SNL" alumna Oteri
- 30 Sister
- 32 Phone to the president
- 33 Submachine gun type
- 34 Energy
- 36 Pickled buds used as a garnish
- 38 Disrobe
- 39 Fragment
- 40 Rattlesnake's cousin
- 42 Follow
- 45 Child's play
- 46 "Lang Syne"
- 48 Chit
- 50 Scot's topper
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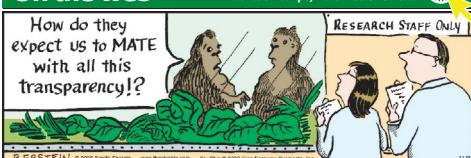
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- 32 Phone to the president
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- 35 Prevention measure
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- 37 Leak slowly
- 38 Offspring
- 39 Fragment
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ARIES**MARCH 21-APRIL 20**

Even an Aries is allowed to get it wrong now and again so don't get angry with someone simply because they point out where you are going wrong.

LIBRA**SEPT 23-OCT 23**

You know what needs to be done and you know that it must be done, so why do you still hesitate to act? Could it be you are having doubts?

TAURUS**APRIL 21-MAY 21**

It might be wise to take what a work colleague says as the very opposite of what they mean. Sometimes you have to act on the worst case assumption.

SCORPIO**OCT 24-NOV 22**

No matter how much others may curse and shout and hurl insults in your direction nothing they say can possibly hurt you, so don't be intimidated.

GEMINI**MAY 22-JUNE 21**

Sit down, put your feet up and let others do the running around for a change. The Sun's transit of the work and wellbeing area of your chart may be encouraging.

SAGITTARIUS**NOV 23-DEC 21**

Keep your thoughts to yourself today, especially if you are one of those Sag who tends to talk at a rate of knots and give too much.

CANCER**JUNE 22-JULY 22**

No matter how sure you are of your own abilities you cannot possibly do everything alone and what happens today will encourage you to open up.

CAPRICORN**DEC 22-JAN 20**

What appears to be a setback early in the day will have you jumping for joy by the time the Sun goes down, so don't let that frown get stuck on your face.

LEO**JULY 23-AUG 23**

Not everything is what it seems at the moment, most likely because you have placed your trust in someone who has been playing games behind your back.

AQUARIUS**JAN 21-FEB 18**

If you are happy with your life the way it is, that's fine, don't change a thing, but if you want to make changes now is the time.

VIRGO**AUG 24-SEPT 22**

It's not often you let your emotions get the better of you but there will be times today when you find it very hard not to scream out loud.

PISCES**FEB 19-MARCH 20**

This is an extremely lucky time for you, so why the feeling of impending doom? It's most likely just a holdover from a time when you were not so fortunate.

This day in history

1861: American Civil War: Jefferson Davis is elected president of the Confederate States of America.

1913: Mohandas Gandhi is arrested while leading a march of Indian miners in South Africa.

1944: Plutonium is first produced at the Hanford Atomic Facility and subsequently used in the Fat Man Atomic bomb dropped on Nagasaki, Japan.

1971: The United States Atomic Energy Commission tests the largest U.S. underground hydrogen bomb, code-named Cannikin, on Amchitka Island in the Aleutians.

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- 1/2 cup (125 ml) fat-free yogourt
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 tbsp (25 ml) lemon juice
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) canola oil
- 1 tsp (5 ml) sugar
- 1 tsp (5 ml) chili powder
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) minced fresh ginger
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) salt
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) ground cumin
- 6 bone-in chicken breast halves

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**METHOD:**

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